# Neighborhood News

### June Meeting Highlights

The entire June meeting was devoted to a presentation by representatives of UGI. Dan Adamo, UGI Business Development Director for the Eastern Region and Brian Slinskey, Operation Manager, spoke about the 13th Street Gas Explosion, Gas Safety Information for Gas Customers, the Gas System, and Gas Infrastructure Improvements.

UGI is regulated by federal and state agencies: PHMSA (Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration), OSHA (Occupational Safety and Health Administration), PUC (Public Utility Commission), USDOT (U.S. Department of Transportation), and DEP (Department of Environmental Protection. UGI complies with state and federal guidelines for design and placement of pipes, pipeline operations, maintenance, routine pipeline leak-surveys, system surveillance, and communication with the public.

### Tips for homeowners:

If you smell gas, extinguish any open flame, leave the building taking everyone and pets. Don't re-enter, use telephone, touch switches or doorbells, use any open flame, or try to relight the pilot while inside. Leave all doors and windows open behind you. Call 911 and 1-800-2722 from outside. Keep children away from flames or meter. Keep flammable materials away from gas appliances. Remove show and ice from meter. Three days before you plan to dig outside, call 811 (Pa One Call System) for help in locating underground utility lines

Mr. Adamo recommends visiting UGI's website, <u>www.ugiresponse.com</u> for information/updates as they occur. In our Post 911 world, UGI cannot publish information about the types of pipes in a given neighborhood, but you can call UGI and get specifics about the pipes outside your home by calling 1-800-276-2722.

### **Crime Reports**

Our Community Watch receives a crime report of activity in our area from the Allentown Police Department. The reports give the date, location, and type of incident. These reports only include crimes such as theft, suspicious motor vehicle, noise, burglary, or suspicious activity. Nuisance crimes like carrying open alcohol or underage drinking do not appear on this list. Neighbors have requested that this information be included in the newsletter. The location will be given by block only.

May 2	2300 block Allen St.	Theft Report
May 4	400 block 23rd St.	Theft Report
May 4	400 block 23rd St.	Stolen MV
May 6	1900 block Tilghman St.	Noise Complaint
May 7	400 block 22nd St.	Noise Complaint
May 8	2200 block Allen St.	Criminal Mischief
May 8	2200 block Liberty St.	Noise Complaint
May 8	2200 block Scott St.	Noise Complaint
May 8	2300 block Utica St.	Criminal Mischief



### Our next meeting: Wednesday, August 10 7:00 P.M

Note: no July meeting

Muhlenberg Area Community Watch meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7:00 P.M. at Christ E. C. Church, 2135 Tilghman St.

We invite residents of any neighborhood in the city to join us!

Future Meetings: Wednesday, September 14 Wednesday, October 12

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### **Crime Reports** (Continued from page 1)

May 10	2700 block Gordon St.	Suspicious Activity
May 12	2100 block Liberty St.	Fight
May 12	2200 block Scott St.	Noise Complaint
May 12	400 block Ruhr St.	Fight
May 14	2100 block Liberty St.	Noise Complaint
May 14	500 block Ott St.	Noise Complaint
May 15	2000 block Utica St.	Theft Report
May 16	500 block Leh St.	Noise Complaint
May 17	500 block Muhlenberg St.	Noise Complaint
May 18	2100 block Liberty St.	Noise Complaint
May 18	500 block St. Elmo St.	Burglary
May 20	2100 block Allen St.	Suspicious Activity
May 21	1900 block Page St.	Fight
May 22	2100 block Liberty St.	Noise Complaint
May 22	2200 block Liberty St.	Noise Complaint
May 22	2400 block Allen St.	Noise Complaint
May 22	500 block Albright Ave.	Suspicious Activity
May 22	500 block 22nd St.	Noise Complaint
May 23	2100 block Andrew St.	Burglary
May 24	2000 block Liberty St.	Suspicious Activity
May 24	2300 block Chew St.	Stolen MV
May 25	2000 block Utica St.	Theft Report
May 25	500 block St. Elmo St.	Trespassing Report
May 27	2400 block Allen St.	Theft Report
May 29	1900 block Allen St.	Noise Complaint
May 29	600 block Lafayette St.	Juvenile Complaint
May 30	1900 block Allen St.	Noise Complaint
May 30	2000 block Liberty St.	Theft Report

**Criminal Mischief:** usually a form of vandalism – broken windows, graffiti, etc. **Theft:** stealing items from vehicles or from outdoor areas. **Burglary:** illegal entry into a home or business to steal items.

### A New Crime Deterrent in the Neighborhood

Muhlenberg is partnering with APD on the installation of security cameras at various locations on the street corners surrounding campus and one in Cedar Beach Park.



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Is there a house for sale in your neighborhood? Would you like the owner/realtor to know about the Student Overlay Guidelines? Call/email Al and Ev Habecker at 610-432-8032 aehabecker@yahoo.com.

### **Phone Numbers to Know**

City Information Desk 610 439-5999

Code Enforcement 610 437-7661

Code Enforcement Rental Licensing 610 437-7694.

Community Problems (neighbor disputes)

610 437-7773

Crime Prevention Unit 610 437-7719

| Emergency Medical Services (paramedics)

610 437-7531

Emergency Medical Services (non-emergency)

**1**610 437-7751

Garbage Complaints 610 437-8729

Graffiti Busters 610 437-8729

Graffiti in Progress 9-1-1

Housing Compliance/Inspections 610 437-7697

Leaf Pickup 610 437-7587

Police Calls (non-emergency) 610 437-7751\*

Rental Unit Inspections 610 437-7695

Sewer Back-up 610 437 7639

Sewer Emergencies after hours 610 437-7751

State Representative Jennifer Mann 610 821-5577

SWEEP (Bureau of Recycling and Solid Waste) 610 437-8729

Weeds/Grass Overgrowth 610 437-8729

Yard Waste Recycling 610 437-8729

Zoning 610 437-7630

\*When calling 610 437-7751, remember that anything that impairs the peace, dignity, and decorum of the neighborhood is considered "disruptive conduct."

### Tip for calling 9-1-1

If you hear an intruder in your home, stay where you are and call 9-1-1. You don't have to say anything, just leave the line open and don't hang up. This works with land lines and cell phones alike.